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Dear Mr. Akers,

Mr. AbuZayyad's letter of 15 July has been brought to my attention. I thank you for this expression of appreciation to the Central Intelligence Agency for its participation in the 3380 Extended Capability Models Early Support Program. We are being pressed to accommodate ever increasing demands by users for storage within our limited computer center real estate. The Early Support Program provided the opportunity to assist IBM and ourselves in bringing increased storage capacity to the market place.

Let me thank you for providing the opportunity for us to work with IBM on this project as well as the 3090 ESP, the VM Single System Image Project and the Application Program Interface ESP. They should prove to be as beneficial as the recently completed Early Support Program.

Recently, Mr. Peter Soutter provided senior Agency managers an excellent review of the 3270 Personal Computer program under his supervision. Advanced workstations, with an ability to work cooperatively with the mainframes, is an area of great significance to us. We also appreciate the disclosure on the new Austin product. It would be beneficial if the future could present opportunities for the Central Intelligence Agency to test and evaluate advances in this area.

Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence

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